In 2006, naxalite violence was reported in areas falling in 395 police stations in 91 districts in the above-mentioned 11 States, out of a total number of 8488 police stations in these States. State Governments undertake necessary action to combat naxalite activities, with the Central Government supplementing their efforts and resources through a range of measures that include deployment of Central paramilitary forces to assist the State police forces, strengthening of the State police and intelligence agancies, reimbursement of security-related expenditure, providing training to State police forces, sharing of intelligence, bringing about inter-State coordination and asistance in development works.

Killing of security personnel in Chhattisgarh by naxalites

329. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that naxalites have been attacking at will at various places in the country;

(b) if so, how many people including security personnel have been gunned down by the Maoists in the country, State-wise details thereof;

(c) how many naxals have been arrested and killed during the operations by security forces in the last six months; and

(d) whether Government is aware that on 2nd November, 2007, 16 security personnel were gunned down in Chhattisgarh, if so, whether the group has been identified and action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) There have been incidents of naxalite violence in some areas.

As per information available, State-wise number of casualties in civilians and security personnel in 2007, upto 31-10-2007, is as below:

Andhra Pradesh: 33, Bihar: 53, Chhattisgarh: 311, Jharkhand: 123, Madhya Pradesh: 2 Maharashtra: 22, Orissa: 16, Uttar Pradesh: 3, West Bengal: 3 and Karnataka:5.

As per information available, in 2007, till 31-10-2007, 1105 naxalites have been arrested and 127 have been killed in encounters with the police and attacks on the police.

(d) 11 police personnel were killed and 1 injured in a CPI(Maoist) attack in the area of police station Pamed in Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh on 02-11-2007. The State Government of Chhattisgarh is taking necessary action in respect of the incident. As on the date 12 battalions of Central paramilitary forces and 1 battalion of State Armed Police in inter-State deputation are deployed in Chhattisgarh to assist the State police forces.

Collection of ransom by naxals in some States

330. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that naxals have been collecting taxes and ransom from the businessmen and Government officials in the States of Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether Government is also aware that a businessman was shot dead in Jamshedpur recently for refusing to pay ransom to the naxals; and

(c) if so, what action is being taken by Government to provide security to the businessmen in the naxal affected areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) State Governments undertake necessary action to combat naxalite activities, including taking steps for protection of life and property and taking action as per law in cases of extortion, etc. from the people, the trade and industry and the institutions/offices located in naxalite affected areas.

Crime related to extortion, etc. registered, investigated and prosecuted by the State Government concerned.

Taking steps as appropriate and necessary is a continuous process.

The Central Government is supplementing the efforts and resources of the State Governments through a range of measures that include deployment of Central paramillitary forces, strengthening of the State police and intelligence agencies, reimbursement of security-related expenditure, providing training to State police forces, sharing of intelligence, bringing about inter-State coordination and assistance in development works.

Death of an Air Deccan female technician

331. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi police has been able to solve the case of death of an Air Deccan female technician on 22nd October, 2007 at Delhi airport under mysterious circumstances;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the particulars of the vehicle and its driver, who according to post-mortem report would have been responsible for causing the death; and

(c) if not, break-through in the matter has been achieved what steps are being taken to expedite the investigations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) to (c) Delhi Police has registed a case FIR No. 120/07 on 23-10-2007 under section 279/304-A IPC at Police Station Palam Airport in this regard. In the post-mortem report of the deceased, the doctor opined that the death is "due to craniocerebral injuries' caused by the blunt force impact and shock and haemorrhage caused by blunt force injuries on the chest and abdomen. All the injuries are ante-mortem in nature and consistent with those caused by vehicular accident. Inspection of suspected vehicles of various airlines and Delhi International Airports Limited (DIAL) was conducted by Delhi Police and expert team of Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL). Sustained interrogation of suspects was conducted. Seizure of relevant records was made. Information from various airlines, tape transcription of radio transmission of Apron and Air Tower Control has been obtained. The polygraph test of suspects was conducted at CFSL, Delhi and the report of the test is awaited. The investigation of the case is in progress.

Non registration of FIRs by Police

332. SHRI MOTIUR RAHMAN: WIll the Minister HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases have come to the notice of Government where Delhi Police did not register any FIRs for months and also did not collect MLC reports from the hospitals;

(b) if so, whether any investigation have been made in those cases to find out the reasons and any action taken against the guilty policemen and if so, the details thereof;

(c) what further steps have been taken to nab perpetrators who conspired to kill a senior citizen in R.K. Puram and the assaulters for attacking innocent senior citizen; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure that the same is not repeated in future?